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PROPOSED CLAIM AMENDMENTS

Examiner Charles:

As per our telephonic conversation as time is short I would like to present amendments to claim 1 and a new claim which distinguish over the arrangement disclosed in Jones'019. That is to say, element 15 of Jones (shown in Figs. 2 and 4) which is being taken as the claimed reinforcing ring, is flat on both sides. There is no disclosure or suggestion that a unified distribution of force is possible with the Jones'019 arrangement and no disclosure of a structure wherein the reinforcing ring has a concave outer surface that engages the outer ring.

1. (Currently Amended) A pulley comprising:
 - a pulley body which has a rotationally symmetrical outer circumferential surface, [[and]]
 - a pulley hub, and [[having]]
 - a tire which sits on the outer circumferential surface and [[has]] which
comprises:
 - at least one radially outer ring, [[and]]